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January 22, 2002

Mr. David Waddell
Executive Secretary
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Docket No. 01-00704

United Cities Gas Company received a data request from the Staff in the above referenced Docket on December 20, 2001. The holidays created a delay in the Company's response. We filed our responses January 21, 2002 but realize the delay may necessitate more time for the staff to review our responses and issue their audit report by the deadline of February 7th. We respectfully request an extension to March 12th.

If you have any questions please contact me at 6150771-8332.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat Childers".

Patricia J. Childers

Cc: Pat Murphy
Timothy C. Phillips
Joe A. Conner